

REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Final Office Action mailed May 31, 2006 ("Final Office Action"). In the Office Action, Claims 1, 2, 4-26, and 28-46 are pending in the Application. The Examiner rejects Claims 1, 2, 4-18, 20-26, and 28-46. In the Final Office Action, the Examiner states that Claim 19 would be allowable if rewritten to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, Applicants have amended Claim 19 such that it is now written in independent form. Specifically, Claim 19 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of former independent Claim 1, which is now canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Former dependent Claims 2, 4-7, 9, 12-13, 15, and 20 have also been amended and now depend from independent Claim 19. Claims 21-26 and 28-46 have been canceled. No new matter has been added with these amendments. Applicants submit that independent Claim 19, as well as Claims 2, 4-18, and 20 that depend from independent Claim 19, should now be in condition for allowance. For at least these reasons, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of Claims 2 and 4-20.

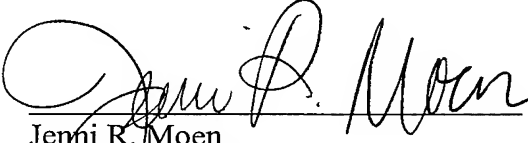
CONCLUSION

Applicants have made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for immediate allowance. For the foregoing reasons and for other reasons clear and apparent, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.

Applicants do not believe any fees are due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-0765 of Electronic Data Systems Corporation.

If there are matters that can be discussed by telephone to advance prosecution of this application, Applicants invite the Examiner to contact its attorney at the number provided below.

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